MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : Are the rules, insisting on the medical officer to remain at his quarters during that time, liable to be violated?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : I do not understand the question.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): I will explain it. The rules seem to contemplate that except during 6 and 11 A. M. and 4 and 5 P. M. the Resident Medical Officer is to be in his quarters. If, during the time he is required to be in his quarters, an urgent case comes up, is he to be in his quarters all the time or is he at liberty to be at any other place?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : If an urgent case is brought in, he can be sent for as he will be in his quarters.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : How far are the quarters of the Resident Medical Officer from the General Hospital?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): They are very near. But I do not know the exact distance.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : Do not the Government consider it desirable to have a permanent building assigned to the medical officer in the hospital compound itself?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : There is a proposal to that effect.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : Has the attention of the Government been drawn to a report in the *Malayali* that a girl who fell into a well was taken to—

PRESIDENT : Does the Member vouch for the accuracy of the report contained in the *Malayalee*?

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : I am only asking whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to that report.

PRESIDENT : This House has nothing to do with statements contained in newspapers unless the Member vouches for their accuracy. Government do not take action on unguaranteed newspaper reports.

Cost of collection of Land Revenue.

276. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : What is the yearly cost of collection of land revenue for the last six years?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Separate figures showing the cost of collecting land revenue alone are not available. The actual cost on account of the working of the Land Revenue Department will be found in the printed budgets of the State issued from year to year.

Night Schools.

277. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): How many night schools imparting instruction to illiterate adults are now in receipt of help from the Government?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : 27 night schools.

Tamil Edition of the Travancore Economic Journal.

278. MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any Tamil edition of the Economic Journal published under the authority of the Government; and

(*b*) whether there was any recommendation to that effect by the Economic Development Board, and if not, whether the Government propose to do it ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The Economic Development Board, at its meeting held on the 11th July 1925, recommended the grant of a subsidy of Rs. 750 for the publication of an Economic Journal in Tamil. The publication of the Economic Journal in Malayalam was handed over to private agency on payment of a subsidy. It was decided that the working of this arrangement must be watched for some time before the Board's recommendation was taken up for consideration.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : May I know when the publication in Malayalam of the Economic Journal was handed over to private agency on payment of a subsidy ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : I think it was in 1098.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : Do the Government propose to continue the publication of the Economic Journal in future as well ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Yes; government have given them an undertaking to try how it gets on before they decide to stop the publication.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : Are the Government satisfied with the present arrangement of publishing that journal in Malayalam on payment of a subsidy ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : They are watching how it is being conducted and how far it will be useful.

Tamil Edition of the Travancore Economic Journal.

279. MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(1) whether it is a fact that the Economic Development Board considered the necessity for publishing a Tamil edition of the Travancore Economic Journal and made a proposal on this subject to the Goyernment ; and

(2) whether they would consider the necessity for publishing a Tamil edition without further delay ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The Member is referred to the answer to interpellation No. 278.

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